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In The Claims:

1. (Øriginal) A bearing assembly, comprising:

a pair of bearing members movable relative to one another, said pair including a first member and a second member that define a space therebetween, at least said first member having a bearing surface having a relatively thin coating of a polytetrafluoroethylene-based material thereupon; and

a grease lubricant occupying the space defined between the first member and the second member, wherein the polytetrafluoroethylene-based material and the grease lubricant act in conjunction with one another to lubricate the first and second members.

- 2. (Amended) A bearing assembly according to Claim 1, wherein the coating is a polytetrafluoroethylene-based material having a solid particulate in a form selected from <u>at least one of</u> the group consisting of flocked, powdered, fibrous, flaked, <u>and beaded, and combinations thereof.</u>
- 3. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 1, wherein the coating has a thickness of about 0.003-0.007 inch.
- 4. (Amended) A bearing assembly according to Claim 1, wherein the first member is formed from at least one of the group consisting of steel, titanium, aluminum, nickel, and bronze, and alloys thereof.
- 5. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 1, further comprising a seal positioned in the space defined between the first member and the second member.
- 6. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 1, wherein the coating is a self lubricating material.



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7. (Original) A bearing assembly for a truck pivot joint bearing in an aircraft landing gear, the assembly comprising:

a metallic truck assembly defining an opening therein;

a pin rotatably positioned in the opening of the truck assembly;

a truck pivot bushing positioned at least partially in the opening defined by the truck assembly, the truck pivot bushing having an inner surface proximate said pin such that a space is defined between the inner surface of the truck pivot bushing and the pin, at least a portion of the inner surface of the truck pivot bushing having a relatively thin coating of a self-lubricating, greaseless material; and

a grease lubricant occupying the space defined between the pivot bushing and the pin.

- 8. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 7, wherein the coating is a polytetrafluoroethylene-based material.
- 9. (Amended) A bearing assembly according to Claim 8, wherein the coating has a solid particulate in a form selected from at least one of the group consisting of flocked, powdered, fibrous, flaked, and beaded, and combinations thereof.
- 10. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 7, wherein the coating has a thickness of about 0.003-0.007 inch.
- 11. (Amended) A bearing assembly according to Claim 7, wherein the pivot bushing is formed from at least one of the group consisting of steel, titanium, aluminum, nickel, and bronze, and alloys thereof.
- 12. (Original) A bearing assembly according to Claim 7, further comprising a seal positioned in the space defined between the truck assembly and the pin.

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